

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (original) Amorphous valsartan characterized by an x-ray powder diffraction spectrum as in figure 1.

2. (currently amended) A The process for preparation of amorphous valsartan of claim 1, which comprises:

- a) dissolving valsartan in an alcohol or a mixture of alcohols;
- b) removing the solvents from the solution formed in step (a) either by vacuum drying or by spray drying;

wherein the alcohol is selected from the group consisting of methanol, ethanol isopropyl alcohol, tert-butyl alcohol and n-butyl alcohol.

3. (currently amended) A The process according to claim 3, wherein the solvent is removed by vacuum drying.

4. (currently amended) A The process according to claim 3, wherein the solvent is removed by spray drying.

5. (original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising amorphous valsartan and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.